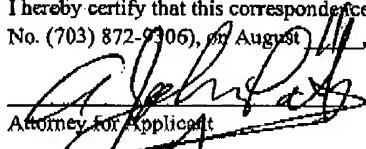


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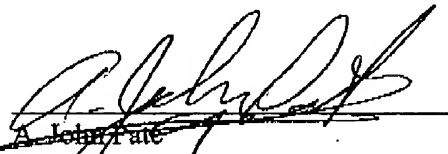
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- (1) a Response to Office Action; and
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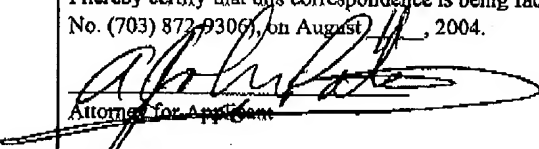
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AMENDMENT "A"

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the communication from the examiner mailed May 11, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.